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THE Sunday Evening Services in Mr. Street's Church are over for the present season. The last was held on May 3rd, when, before a very large congregation, Mr. Street discoursed on "Who was Jesus?" For upwards of seven months large audiences have gathered every Sunday evening, and good seed has been scattered. During the summer months the preacher can have a period of comparative rest, and the congregation can find on the Sunday evenings change of scene and thought elsewhere. Both will, it is hoped, resume winter evening services with pleasure.

THE Children's Service at Rosemary Street on Sunday, May 3rd, was exceptionally interesting. Mr. Darbishire and Rev. E. P. Hall conducted the devotional service, and brief addresses were delivered to the children by Revs. J. C. Street, J. Pilcher, E. P. Hall, T. Leyland and C. J. Street. The children will not soon forget the brightness of this little service.

THE Monthly Children's Service was held at Hopeton Street, on Sunday afternoon, May 17th, at 3 o'clock. Mr. Bulmer gave out the hymns, and Mr. Drummond read the lesson. The Rev. J. C. Street offered prayer and delivered an address on "Springtide and Immortality." There was an excellent attendance

of children and teachers, and all seemed interested in the pleasant service.

THE ANNIVERSARIES.

THE 54th Anniversary of the Unitarian Society was celebrated on Sunday, May 3rd, and two following days. The preacher of the year was the Rev. R. Pilcher, of Warrington, who preached in the morning in the Church of the Second Congregation, and in the afternoon at Moneyrea. In the evening the Rev. J. C. Street preached in the Second Congregation. There were large and interested audiences, and the collections for the day reached between £33 and £34.

In addition to local friends who were present at the Anniversaries, the following were present from a distance—The Rev. R. Pilcher, from Manchester District Sunday School Association; Rev. W. Copeland Bowie, from Sunday School Association; Rev. E. P. Hall, from British and Foreign Unitarian Association; Rev. C. J. Street, Scottish Unitarian Association; Mr. F. C. Slater, Northumberland and Durham Unitarian Association; Rev. T. Leyland, from Douglas Free Church; and Mr. W. E. Coysh, from London. The presence of these representatives added greatly to the interest of the meetings.

THE BREAKFAST.

On Monday morning, May 4th, the Annual Breakfast and Sunday School Conference in connection with the Belfast Unitarian Association was given in the Lombard Hall. There was a representative attendance, including Revs. Richard Pilcher, Copeland Bowie, Thos. Leyland, C. J. Street, E. P. Hall, Thomas

Dunkerley, J. C. Street, G. W. Bannister, and J. H. Bibby; Colonel Glancy, Dr. M'Caw, Messrs. Hugh Hyndman, LL.D.; Thomas M'Clelland, J.P.; R. M'Calmont, F.C.S.; F. C. Slater, Wm. Stott, J. E. Osborne, W. E. Coysh, J. Palfreyman, J. R. Neill, John Ritchie, J. Mansel Smith, J. F. Mulligan, Sydney H. Street, J. Strong, D. W. Moore, George Fisher, D. Bulmer, Wm. Moore, &c.

After an excellent breakfast,

Rev. J. C. Street, in appropriate terms, moved Mr. Thomas M'Clelland, J.P., to the chair.

The Chairman said he had, in the first place, to return thanks for being honoured to be asked to preside on that occasion. He had been called by Mr. Street a veteran in the cause of Unitarianism, and so he was. He had been a professing Unitarian for fifty-five years, and during that time he had been a staunch and unwavering Unitarian. The Unitarianism of his early day was not, however, the Unitarianism of the present. (Hear, hear). Since ever he came to Belfast he had been connected with that Society in some form or other, and he was present that day to do what he could to help forward the cause. The Society during its existence had had varied scenes to enact. They were a very quiet party that morning, but he had seen it very different. Shortly after Mr. Street came to Belfast he (Mr. M'Clelland) presided at a very quiet meeting in the "First House"—the First Presbyterian Church. Indeed that meeting was characterised by extreme quietness—masterly inactivity. They were sleeping in those days, but he had a vivid recollection of a meeting in 1873 which commenced one evening and finished about half-past three o'clock the following morning. Vast changes for the better had since taken place.

Mr. J. M. Darbishire (Hon. Secretary of the Sunday School Committee) read the Annual Report of the Sunday School Committee:—

"The following ladies and gentlemen have acted as the Sunday School Committee for the year now ended. There have been 11 meetings held during the year, and the attendance of each member is appended to the name:—

Misses J. E. Bruce, - 4	Messrs. R. M'Calmont, 3
" Coleman, - 9	" J. Worthington 7
" Darbishire, - 1	Rev. J. H. Bibby, - 2
" Dobbin, - 5	" J. A. Kelly, - 6
" E. Martin, - 7	" W. Reynolds - 6
" G. H. Coe, - 11	" G. W. Bannister, 2
" Ritchie, - 2	" T. Dunkerley, - 6
Messrs. J. M. Darbishire, Chairman, - 10	" J. E. Stronge, - 5
	" J. C. Street, Sec., 10

Mr. Darbishire has acted as Chairman of the Committee, and the Rev. J. C. Street as Secretary.

A Special Committee has been appointed to prepare a catalogue of books suitable for Lesson Books, for Sunday School Libraries, and for Home Reading, with the Rev. J. H. Bibby as Convener. The work of this Committee will prove valuable to all our Sunday Schools and families.

During the twelve months, *four* Conferences have been held—the first at Comber, on July 20th, when Rev. J. C. Street read a paper on "Counsels to the Managers and Teachers of Sunday Schools;" the second at Rademon, on October 11th, when the Rev. G. W. Reynolds read a paper on "Theology in our Sunday Schools;" the third at Mountpottinger, when Rev. J. C. Street delivered an address on "The Problem of our Elder Scholars;" and the fourth at Rosemary Street, when the Rev. J. H. Bibby read a paper on "The Earnest Teacher and his work."

These Conferences were all largely attended. The different congregations vied with each other in hospitable entertainment of their visitors, and in plans for making them comfortable. The Papers were all of a very suggestive character, and the discussions which followed were of a practical and thoughtful nature. The impression formed by these meetings was very good, and the Sunday School Committee are of opinion that no better work can be done than to continue such Conferences, and extend their usefulness over as many congregations as possible.

The Sunday School Committee were represented at the Sunday School Jubilee in London, and at the Good Friday Meeting of the Manchester district Sunday School Association, and they are looking forward to welcome a representative from these Associations at the Anniversary of this Association.

The year's work has been both of a pleasant and profitable character."

Rev. Mr. Dunkerley said, as a member of the Sunday School Committee, and being acquainted with the workings of the Committee, he had great pleasure in moving:—

"That the Report of the Sunday School Committee be approved, and published with the other proceedings of the Anniversary in the *Chronicle and Index*."

They would perceive that there was in the Report one new feature—viz., the formation of a sub-committee for the choice of books. The outcome of this would be a practical benefit to all interested in young people everywhere. He looked forward to the result as being of much importance. The Report was such as to commend itself to them all, and it should be made as public as possible.

Rev. Mr. Bannister, in seconding the motion, said he had so recently come to Belfast that he had very little experience of the general work of the Unitarian Society, but he had the pleasure of attending the Sunday School Conferences, and he could only say that from his personal knowledge he could testify that the Report was quite correct in all its particulars, and that these Conferences had been enjoyable in the extreme. In studying the subject of Sunday School teachers he thought there was a growing need for some college or training-school similar to that through which the secular school teachers have to pass. The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Hugh Hyndman, LL.D., moved—

"That we extend a hearty welcome to the representatives of kindred Associations who are present to-day from England, Scotland, and the Isle of Man, and assure them of our deep interest in their work and welfare."

He said some of the representatives came back there as old friends, whose faces they were delighted to see at their Conferences. They had also many new friends, from whom they hoped to derive a great deal of advantage.

Mr. M'Calmont, F.C.S., seconded the motion, which was supported by the Rev. J. H. Bibby.

Rev. J. C. Street also supported the resolution. He said it was not needful that he should

add words to the assurance already given of their desire to extend a cordial welcome to the gentlemen present from different parts of the empire that day. However, it was desirable that he should at all events stand forward to join in that most hearty welcome, and there was all the more reason, because it had been his province to communicate with the various Associations in Great Britain and the Isle of Man to ask for representatives. His duties had been exceedingly pleasant. The Associations had responded courteously and promptly, and there were never so many representatives present before as they had that day. There was a growing desire to draw more closely the bonds of union between all the Associations. He ventured to say that there was also a growing desire in the North of Ireland to draw more closely together than hitherto. The divisions referred to by the Chairman were matters of bygone history, and he was satisfied that a better and brighter day was dawning over their Church, and that there would be more co-operation in the future than ever there had been in the past. (Applause.)

The resolution was adopted by acclamation.

Addresses were then delivered by the Rev. Richard Pilcher and the Rev. Copeland Bowie, on behalf of the Sunday School Associations of England; Rev. Thomas Leyland, Isle of Man; Mr. F. C. Slater, Newcastle-on-Tyne; and the Rev. C. J. Street, Glasgow.

Mr. Darbishire having taken the second chair,

Mr. Neill moved that the best thanks of the meeting be given to Mr. M'Clelland for his kindness in presiding.

Mr. Mulligan seconded the motion, which was cordially adopted, and suitably conveyed.

Mr. M'Clelland having briefly acknowledged the compliment.

Rev. J. C. Street engaged in prayer, and The meeting separated.

ANNUAL MEETING.

In the evening, at half-past seven o'clock, the Fifty Fourth Anniversary Meeting of the Belfast Unitarian Association was held in the Lecture Hall connected with the Church of

the Second Congregation, Rosemary Street. There was a large attendance, including many ladies. The chair was occupied by Mr. Hugh Hyndman, LL.D., President of the Association.

Rev. J. C. Street opened the meeting by prayer.

The President said he could assure the Association that he felt greatly honoured by their kindness in appointing him as President of the Society during the past year. He supposed one of the great charms which enhanced the honour conferred upon him was that the duties of the office were exceedingly light. That was the first opportunity he had of expressing his thanks to them, and he could assure them he did so most heartily. He was very glad to have the opportunity of presiding over so representative and influential a meeting. The history of the Society was one that they were all familiar with, and therefore he thought he need not make any reference to that. The Society, so far as their reports had stated hitherto, had made remarkable progress. It was of considerable age now, and he believed that for some years past it had been doing a very valuable and very useful work in the community. He hoped the Report that was to be read would confirm his expectations with regard to its continuing success. He would therefore call upon Mr. Darbishire to read the report.

Mr. J. M. Darbishire (Hon. Secretary) read the annual report as follows:—

“In laying before you a Report of the work of the Society during the 54th year of its existence, the Committee have a very simple statement to make.

At the Meeting of the General Committee, held immediately after the Annual Meeting last year, Dr. H. Hyndman was elected President, and Vice-Presidents were also appointed, and the Committee for the Sunday School branch of the the Society.

The Executive Committee have met 10 times during the year, and the attendance of the Committee has been as follows:—

W. A. Adamson,	- 1	J. Worthington,	- 5
J. Bennett,	- 3	Dr. Polly,	- 3
W. C. Dobbin,	- 1	D. W. Moore,	- 8
Rev. T. Dunkerley,	- 6	D. Nelson,	- 1
George Fisher,	- 4	D. Bulmer,	- 9
Rev. J. A. Kelly,	- 2	Rev. J. H. Bibby,	- 2
T. M'Clelland,	- 8	M. Smith, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	5
Dr. M'Caw,	- 4	J. M. Darbishire,	- 8
R. M'Calmont,	- 3	J. C. Street, <i>Sec.</i> ,	- 10
J. F. Mulligan,	- 5		

Rev. G. W. Bannister also attended 2 meetings.

Mr. Dobbin resigned his seat during the year owing to the impossibility of attending, and Rev. J. H. Bibby was appointed to fill the vacant place. Mr. J. Worthington was also elected in place of Mr. Rylett. Mr. Bannister was invited to sit with the Committee.

Mr. M'Clelland was appointed to act as Chairman of the Committee.

The Treasurer began the year with a balance in hands amounting to £105 5s 1d. His receipts during the year amounted to £352 13s 8d, and his expenditure £412 6s 1d, leaving a balance in favour of the Society amounting to £45 12s 8d.

The sales at the Depository during the year amounted to £257 15s 4½d, being a slight falling off as compared with last year.

There has been an increase in the number of books sold, but not so great as your Committee had hoped for. The decrease has been in the sale of stationery. They hope to see the Depository much more freely used, and growing in attractiveness to the subscribers and friends of the Society.

The *Chronicle and Index* has been published regularly during the year, and has met with a warm welcome in hundreds of homes. Very pleasing testimonies to its usefulness are continually coming to hand. It is now in the fifth year of its existence. Its cost to the Society for printing was £27 3s 0d, and the amount received by voluntary contributions and advertisements during the year was £10 2s 0d.

Your Society was duly represented at the Annual Meetings of the British and Foreign Unitarian Association, the Scottish Unitarian Association, and the London Sunday School Association Jubilee. The following gentlemen acted as your representatives—Revs. T. Dunkerley, J. A. Kelly, J. C. Street and Mr. R. M'Calmont. These Associations and others have been invited to send representatives to our Anniversary.

Annexed is a report of the Sunday School Committee, which will be read with interest by the friends of the Society.

The liberal spirit spreading every day through

all literary, scientific, and religious publications, and the readiness of booksellers to procure any books that are ordered, makes the work of your Society much less urgent than in former days. All the tendencies of the age are doing your work, and every new contribution of thought adds to the liberalizing agencies that are going on. But there still seems to be a sphere for your Society in putting forward

the special books you wish to circulate, and emphasizing the teachings your desire to offer to the world, and therefore, in laying down their trust, the Committee hope that their successors may carry on the work more energetically and more successfully than they have been able to do."

Mr. M. Smith read the financial statement as follows:—

Dr. The Treasurer in A/c with The Belfast Unitarian Society for the Year ending 31st Dec., 1884. Cr.

To Balance from 1883,	£105	5	1	
„ Congregational Collections—				
Belfast,	£35	15	2	
Killinchy,	1	10	0	
Moneyrea,	2	15	0	
		40	0	2
„ Subscriptions—				
Belfast,	86	2	6	
Comber,	0	12	6	
Downpatrick, 1883,	0	10	0	
Ballee,	0	10	0	
Carrickfergus,	0	12	6	
Rademon,	0	15	0	
Moneyrea,	2	10	0	
Glasgow,	0	2	6	
		41	15	0
„ <i>Chronicle and Index</i> —				
Donations,	7	7	0	
Advertisements,	2	15	0	
		10	2	0
„ Sunday School Conference—				
Breakfast,	4	11	2	
„ Receipts at Depository,	256	5	4½	
		457	18	9½

By Incidental Expenses—				
Salary to Agent, ..	£30	0	0	
Sundries per Agent, ..	24	2	8	
Secretarial,	0	16	9	
Anniversary,	7	8	0	
Rent and Taxes, ..	33	8	0	
Deputations,	1	10	0	
Collector (2 years), ..	3	14	10½	
				101 0 3½
,, Sunday School Conference—				
Breakfast,	..	..	..	5 8 0
,, <i>Chronicle and Index</i> —				
Printing, &c.,	..	..	..	27 3 0
Books and Stationery, ..	..	..	..	278 14 10
Balance,	..	..	..	45 12 8
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Mr. Thomas M'Clelland, J.P., moved—

“That the Report and Statement of Accounts be received, adopted, and published in the *Chronicle and Index*.”

Rev. Frederick Thomas seconded the motion, which was spoken to by the Chairman and passed.

The following gentlemen having been duly nominated were declared to constitute the Committee for the ensuing year:—

Committee:

W. A. Adamson.
 Rev. G. W. Bannister.
 John Bennett.
 Rev. J. H. Bibby.
 D. Bulmer,
 Rev. T. Dunkerley, B.A.
 Rev. J. A. Kelly.
 T. M'Clelland, J.P.
 Dr. John M'Caw.
 R. M'Calmont, F.C.S.
 D. W. Moore,
 J. F. Mulligan.
 Rev. A. Lancaster.

Dr. John Polly.
 J. Worthington.

Treasurer:

Mansel Smith.

Secretaries:

Rev. J. C. Street,
 J. M. Darbishire.

Auditors:

F. E. Dale,
 John M. Dobbin.

Mr. John Ritchie moved a resolution acknowledging, with gratitude, the services of the Rev. R. Pilcher, B.A., as the preacher of the anniversary sermons in Belfast and Moneyrea on the previous day.

Rev. Mr. Bannister (Moneyrea), in seconding the motion, advocated increased toleration for those who differed from Unitarians in their opinions. He hoped the time would soon come when there would be more co-operation in all the Churches in the North of Ireland, no matter what their doctrines or systems of government might be.

The motion was passed by acclamation.

Rev. R. Pilcher responded in a suitable and impressive address. He said the Unitarian system of religion provided liberty, because it secured for them clearness of thinking and honesty in speaking. To say that Unitarians had no creed did not mean that they had no

convictions—merely that they imposed no dogmas. He had to thank them cordially for the vote of acknowledgment they had passed.

Rev. Thomas Dunkerley moved—

“That we extend a cordial welcome to our brethren from all parts of the United Kingdom who have honoured us by their presence to-day, and beg them to convey to the Associations and Churches they represent our fraternal greetings and good wishes.”

Mr. Robert M'Calmont seconded the resolution, which was adopted.

Rev. E. P. Hall replied on behalf of the British and Foreign Unitarian Association. He said the Association which he represented had for its object the promotion, by every means in its power, of the cause of righteousness, the cause of a free Christianity, the cause which had for its end and aim the bringing down of heaven to earth, the diffusion of God's Kingdom on earth by means of the greater recognition of the human brotherhood.

Rev. W. C. Bowie (London), Mr. F. C. Slater (Newcastle-on-Tyne), and Mr. W. E. Coysh (London) having also spoken,

Rev. C. J. Street (Glasgow) moved a resolution to the effect that, looking beyond the boundaries of their own communions, Unitarians rejoiced in the signs of religious life and spiritual growth all the world over.

Rev. T. Leyland (Douglas) seconded the motion in an interesting and vigorous speech.

The resolution having been adopted,

Rev. J. C. Street expressed his pleasure at the proceedings so far in connection with their fifty-fourth anniversary.

Mr. George Fisher having taken the second chair,

Rev. Mr. Street proceeded to move that the hearty thanks of the meeting be given to the President (Dr. Hyndman) for his graceful and dignified conduct in the chair that evening. He paid a high compliment to Dr. Hyndman for his disinterested services on behalf of the Association at all times.

Mr. Bulmer seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Dr. Hyndman having acknowledged the compliment,

Rev. J. C. Street engaged in prayer, and The proceedings concluded.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONFERENCE.

At Moneyrea, on Tuesday, May 5th, a Conference of Teachers and those interested in Sunday School work in connection with the Unitarian body was held. The chair was taken by Mr. J. M. Darbishire, and there was a good attendance. Amongst those present were—Revs. J. C. Street, R. Pilcher, Thomas Leyland, G. W. Bannister, E. P. Hall, J. H. Bibby, W. Copeland Bowie, Thomas Dunkerley, W. Reynolds, A. Lancaster, H. Magowan; and Messrs. Thomas M'Clelland, J.P.; R. M'Calmont, George Fisher, D. Bulmer, J. Ritchie, D. Moore, W. Bennett, Sydney W. Street, M. A. Stewart, John Bennett, N. Bodell, J. Lamont, James Bennett, &c.

After a few introductory remarks from the Chairman,

Rev. Mr. Bannister read a paper on Sunday School work, of which the following is a summary:—The subject of Sunday School teaching divided itself into two parts—the end they ought to have in view, and the best means of attaining it. The purpose to be fulfilled by Sunday School teaching included many of the objects of the day school, but the ultimate end to be achieved was more far-reaching. The instruction imparted in a Sunday School was not only such as would appeal to the intellectual but to the moral and religious faculties also. Its aim was not merely the training of the mind, but the training of the man. He would suggest that the real meaning of education was what the term literally signified—a leading out and development of all the powers and faculties of the mind—intellectual, moral, and religious. The mere cultivation of the faculty of knowledge, however important, did not constitute true education. The vice of most systems had been a one-sidedness instead of a complete all-round grasp, embracing the whole nature. In endeavouring to attain this latter object in Sunday Schools, among the most important means for its accomplishment was that of sound discipline. The superintendent should be a person whose powers of command and

whose influence should be regulated by great discretion, preserving an even line of conduct, which should not deviate either on the side of harshness or leniency. Under these circumstances, none but the very best men should be selected to fill so important a post. The necessary qualifications were often found or came to be developed where they were least expected. In any case discipline was most essential. He would suggest to superintendents to introduce it and maintain it as strictly as possible. Not only would its preservation assist the actual work in hand, but it would be a moral education in itself, illustrating and enforcing the beauty of an orderly and well-regulated life. Next in importance he considered the maintenance of a high moral standard in the school. He remembered a remark of Goethe, "If you want to lift people to a higher moral level, you must not scold them or lower them in their own esteem: you must speak and act as if it were taken for granted that they were morally a great deal better than they really are." By following these lines they would find a fulcrum with which to exercise a moral leverage to lift up the whole school to the level they desired it to occupy. It would be necessary to refer to the art of teaching as it applied to the teacher. They must bear in mind that the object was not merely to impart a lesson, but to draw out the faculties of the scholars. To this end certain external and mechanical contrivances must be resorted to. He then referred to a number of details of school management in reference to the position and arrangement of classes and as to the best methods of securing attention. A number of these details might be considered as conveying truths so obvious that it is scarcely necessary to mention them, and yet they were strangely neglected in many Sunday Schools. They were of the first importance in sustaining the attention and interest of children. A great deal depended on the manner and bearing of a teacher with a class. One instructor was so stern and distant that the children felt there was nothing in common between them and their teacher. Somehow they would feel that there was a

moral operation to be preformed on them, and they promptly made up their minds that no such operation should be preformed. Then, again, another teacher was so suave and soft that the children determined, and usually succeeded, in mastering him. The demeanour of the true teacher was one of restrained power. He was consciously master of the situation, every word and every action giving the impression of spontaneous and natural energy. If asked what was the secret of that strength, the very possessor of it would probably be at a loss to tell. Its seat and root were not merely in the manner but in the man. As they stood before their classes there went on an unconscious development of the qualities of their manhood or womanhood which had long been accumulating through previous habit and experience; every victory of self-command had become so much latent force stored up, which then made itself felt in an influence which went to make the boys and girls the men and women they were to be. Nothing but qualities of sterling worth and dignity would avail a teacher. The glances of fresh young minds were so keen that they penetrated all shams and read the character of the teacher to the core. Teachers might assume an authority for the time, but the authority not rooted in the man would soon be laughed to scorn. What they were was mightier than what they could assume to be: the unconscious moral influence which went out from them was greater than any influence they could give. By that they imparted to the children something of their own moral and spiritual self, giving them a part of themselves more truly than the mother gave part of herself to the babe she nourished. There was but one recipe for teaching power, and that was to be themselves realisations of that which they desired to teach. In referring to the nature of the lessons and method of instruction which it would be most desirable to follow, the speaker suggested that the information should always be such as was suitable to the capacities of the children, and that lessons should be impressed on the mind more by a series of discreet questions than by direct communication. The

mental operation which such a course of instruction involved on the part of the pupil was a development of its powers, and tended to make information burst upon the mind with a novelty and force which otherwise could not be obtained. He insisted on the necessity of ample recapitulation by questioning, which needed some considerable skill and acuteness on the part of the teacher. In conclusion, he pointed out how necessary it was for Sunday School teachers to do all in their power to fit themselves for the most important functions they were called upon to perform in reference to the moral training of the young.

The Chairman thought that one of the most important duties a Sunday School teacher had imposed upon him was to study the nature and disposition of those placed under his charge in order that they might be approached in a proper spirit, and not be alienated by a want of sympathy, which could only be gained by a knowledge of the real nature of the child.

Rev. Mr. Pilcher had in the course of a long experience as a superintendent had many children brought to him for reproof for misconduct, and he had often surprised teachers by the attitude he had taken up. He had merely asked the child to behave better, coupling the request with a mild reproof, for after all, if—as he pointed out to the teachers—the children were the pink of good behaviour Sunday School teachers would be out of work. (Laughter.) Discipline was an admirable thing; but, after all, the main thing was the direct personal influence of the teacher. Love was a grand master, and where they had love of the work and love of the children they might depend on it there would soon be a mutual understanding between teacher and scholar which would be of lasting good and benefit to both, but especially to the latter. One great point to be attained was, of course, obedience; but this could never be gained in scholars unless the teachers themselves were subservient to proper rules.

Rev. Mr. Bowie referred to the advantage of having model classes so as to enable unskilled teachers to observe how experienced teachers conducted classes and managed the children. He urged them not to be discouraged by the

slow progress they might make, but to maintain their high ideals, and endeavour to approach them as near as possible.

Mr. Slater thought it highly necessary to maintain discipline, but at the same time he was not a strict disciplinarian, and he thought it was possible to carry discipline too far. From his own experience he could say without egotism that he found very little difficulty in conducting his school with a considerable amount of order when he had the average support and co-operation of the rest of the teachers.

Rev. Mr. Hall having deprecated the “goody-goody” system of education, thought that one of the chief points in teaching was to institute a good mode of questioning.

The Rev. Mr. Leyland having also addressed the Conference,

Mr. Bannister gave a brief reply.

The Rev. Mr. Street then moved, and it was agreed that the next Conference should be held at Ballee, and that a paper should be read by the Rev. Mr. Lancaster.

A vote of thanks having been passed to Mr. Bannister for his paper, the proceedings terminated.

On Friday evening, May 1st, the Annual Meeting in connection with the Rosemary Street Mutual Improvement Association was held in the Rosemary Street Lecture Hall. There was a large attendance, including—Rev. J. C. Street (President), Rev. C. J. Street, M.A., Glasgow; Rev. T. Leyland, Douglas; Rev. J. A. Kelly, Rademon; Rev. W. Reynolds, B.A., Mountpottinger; Messrs. J. M. Darbishire and George Fisher (Vice-Presidents), William Gray, J. F. Mulligan, W. C. Dobbin, J. Vinycomb, H. E. Dale, W. W. Drummond (Hon. Sec.), T. E. Osborne (Hon. Treasurer), W. J. Clements (Inspector of National Schools), &c. After a sumptuous tea had been partaken of, the President (Rev. J. C. Street) took the chair, and delivered a brief and interesting address, in the course of which he alluded to the purely non-sectarian character of the Society, which, he said, was now entering on the fourteenth year of its history. Mr.

Drummond (Hon. Sec.) read the annual report, which showed the Association to be in a most flourishing condition. The financial statement, as read by Mr. T. E. Osborne (Hon. Treasurer), showed a balance of £22 0s 4d remains to the credit of the Society after paying all expenses. A large and varied programme of music and readings was then gone through in a most creditable manner, the following ladies and gentlemen taking part:—Miss Muirhead, Miss M. Fisher, Mrs. M'Mechan, Messrs. M'Bratney, Dale, S. H. Street, and T. E. Osborne. The room was tastefully decorated for the occasion, and there was exhibited a large collection of works of art, kindly lent by the members and friends of the Society. The usual votes of thanks terminated the proceedings.

WELCOME OF REV. G. W. BANNISTER AT MONEYREA.

A large and influential meeting was held in the schoolroom and meeting-house at Moneyrea, on Tuesday evening, to welcome the Rev. G. W. Bannister on his settlement as minister of the Non-Subscribing Congregation at that place. There were present—The Revs. G. W. Bannister, J. C. Street, T. Dunkerley, A. Lancaster, H. M'Gowan, J. H. Bibby, D. Thompson, T. Leyland (Douglas), E. P. Hall (Lancaster), R. Pilcher (Warrington), W. C. Bowie (London), with Messrs. J. M. Darbishire, T. M'Clelland, J.P.; R. M'Calmont, F.C.S.; D. W. Moore, D. Bulmer, W. R. Stitt, George Fisher, J. Bennett, S. H. Street, &c., of Belfast; W. E. Coysh (London), F. C. Slater, (Newcastle-on-Tyne), and a large number of members of the Moneyrea congregation.

After devotional exercises,

Mr. W. Bennett, of Solitude, was called to the chair. In a few earnest words he expressed his pleasure at presiding on so important an occasion, and cordially welcomed their new minister into his important charge.

Mr. D. M'Master, on behalf of the congregation, tendered a hearty welcome to Mr. Bannister. He briefly referred to the history of the congregation, set forth the broad, free principles which it represented, and pointed out that it had no theological tests and no

ecclesiastical bonds, but, claiming fullest freedom for all its members, rejoiced to extend the same to its ministers. He welcomed Mr. Bannister into his ministry at Moneyrea, and felt sure that his ripe scholarship, his great ability, and his deep devotion would combine to enable him to make his ministry a blessing to the entire community.

Mr. A. K. Stewart next, on behalf of the Sunday School, tendered a welcome to Mr. Bannister. He spoke warmly of Sunday School work, and of its value to the life of a Church, and expressed his confident belief that the great intellectual acquirements of Mr. Bannister would enable him to be of the highest service to the numerous young people connected with the Church.

Rev. Mr. Street was then called upon to offer a welcome on behalf of the ministers of the Non-Subscribing Churches of Ireland. He said he was deeply interested in all that concerned the welfare of the Moneyrea congregation. He honored their fidelity to freedom and to spiritual truth, and was at all times glad to have an opportunity of showing his sympathy with them. Not inappropriately was he called upon to speak on behalf of his brother ministers. There were times in the past when this might not be, but now the clouds were clearing, and his brethren were ready to let him speak in their name. There had grown up a strong feeling that the differences among them were very slight, and ought to be minimised, and that the agreements were fundamental and vital. Brighter days had dawned, and happier prospects were before them. On behalf of his brother ministers, those who were connected with presbyteries and those who were independents, he welcomed Mr. Bannister into a band of brothers, a body of workers and thinkers, and a group of spiritual teachers who were doing their best to find and teach the truth, to purify and ennoble human life, and to draw the world nearer to God. Mr. Street reminded the congregation that in Mr. Bannister they had a man of capacity and scholarship, whose work as an educationalist and preacher was well known, and whose spiritual history was a proof of his self-sacrific-

ing spirit, his undaunted courage, and his fidelity to truth. He was not a man to be ignored or brushed aside. He was a new power, and would have to be taken account of in the forces which were at present working for the welfare of man in the North of Ireland. He urged the congregation to sustain and honour their minister, and to uphold his hands as he did the work of God. In a few sentences the speaker then addressed Mr. Bannister, and set before him the great work of the ministry, and showed how the prophets of free religious thought and pure spiritual life had the highest of messages and the noblest of examples to set before the toiling and thinking people of to-day.

Rev. Mr. Bannister, who was received with applause, said, after the eloquent language they had just listened to, he felt hardly able to control his thoughts so as to speak as befitted the occasion. But he appreciated highly the kindness he had received from them ever since he had set foot in Ireland, and he was deeply touched and strongly influenced by the words spoken to him that night. He acknowledged gratefully the hearty welcome he had received, and spoke of the privilege enjoyed by a minister who lived in an atmosphere of spiritual freedom. He hoped to be able to discharge well and faithfully the duties of the high office on which he had entered, and to take his part in the promotion of spiritual religion and moral reform. He reciprocated all the kindly words which had been uttered, and trusted he might rise to the high level which, in the kindness of their hearts, his friends at that meeting had assigned to him. He was satisfied there was divine work to be done, and hoped he might be privileged to take his share. (Applause.)

Rev. Mr. Leyland, of Douglas, formerly minister of Moneyrea, then spoke in pleasant terms of his former happy association with the Moneyrea congregation, and expressed his gratification at being present on that auspicious occasion. He was rejoiced to see the beautiful transformation which had taken place in their meeting-house, and he congratulated both Mr. Bannister and the congregation on the happy settlement which had that day been completed.

He believed a prosperous future was before both. In conclusion, he set forth in earnest words the great principles represented by the Free Churches of Great Britain and Ireland.

The choir sang various pieces during the evening, and interesting speeches were delivered by Revs. D. Thompson, of Dromore (formerly of Moneyrea); W. Reynolds, of Mount-pottinger; and other friends, and the proceedings were brought to a close by singing and prayer.

GENERAL COMMITTEE.

THE first meeting of the General Committee of the Unitarian Society was held in the Depository, on Wednesday, the 18th May. The chair was occupied by Mr. Thos. M'Clelland, J.P.

On the motion of Rev. J. C. Street, seconded by Mr. J. F. Mulligan, the Rev. Thomas Dunkerley, B.A., was unanimously appointed President for the ensuing year.

Mr. Dunkerley, in accepting the office, expressed his high sense of the honour conferred upon him, and said he was always glad to do anything in his power to promote the interests of the Society. The principles and methods of the Unitarian Society commanded his full assent and warmest approval.

The names of H. Hyndman, Esq., LL.D., and Joseph Nelson, M.D., were added to the list of Vice-Presidents of the Society.

A large committee of ladies and gentlemen was then appointed for the Sunday School department of the Society's work. (See list of officers on advertisement page).

Various suggestions were then made as to the work of the Society for the coming year.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

THE first meeting of the Executive Committee of the Unitarian Society was held in the Depository, on Wednesday, May 20th, at 3 o'clock. The President, the Rev. T. Dunkerley, B.A., occupied the chair. After the Minutes had been read, on the motion of Rev. J. C. Street, Mr. Thomas M'Clelland, J.P., was appointed Chairman of the Executive for the current year.

It was decided to commence a course of

Mission Services at Hopeton Street, on Sunday, May 31st, and to invite the co-operation of the ministers connected with the Association, and such others as would be willing to aid. Handbills announcing the services were ordered to be printed for distribution.

It was resolved to offer to any congregation tracts for gratuitous distribution after courses of theological lectures; and any congregation was invited to apply for a grant.

Copies of the Revised Bible were then laid upon the table and examined.

SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

THE first meeting of the Sunday School Committee was held in the Depository, on Wednesday, May 20th, at 8-30 p.m.

The President, Rev. T. Dunkerley, B.A., occupied the chair.

After the Minutes had been read, Mr. J. M. Darbishire was unanimously appointed Chairman for the ensuing year. Mr. Darbishire, in taking the chair, expressed his pleasure that he had been called to that duty again, and his desire to do all he could to further the cause of Sunday School education.

The Rev. Thos. Dunkerley was then appointed Secretary to the Committee, and entered upon his work at once.

Arrangements were then entered upon for the next Conference. The Secretary was to write to Ballee and get a suitable time fixed, and to Mr. Lancaster to ascertain the title of his paper. A future Conference to be held at Comber was also considered.

INSTALLATION AT KILLINCHY.

ON Tuesday, May 12, the Bangor Presbytery of the Remonstrant Synod of Ulster assembled at the Remonstrant Meeting-house, Killinchy, County Down, for the purpose of installing to the pastoral charge of the congregation there the Rev. A. Lancaster. The opening services were conducted by the Rev. J. A. Kelly (Rademond), after which the sermon was preached by the Rev. J. H. Bibby, who selected as his text Galatians, 6th chap. 2nd verse, "Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ." Rev. Mr. Lancaster gave a brief

outline of his theological views. The charge to the minister was delivered by the Rev. Thomas Dunkerley, of Comber, while the charge to the congregation was given by the Rev. T. H. M. Scott, who brought the service to a close.

THE DINNER.

The members of the Presbytery and their friends were entertained to dinner at four o'clock in the Masonic Hall, Baloo. Mr. T. Hay Ritchie, of Belfast, presided, and amongst those present were the Rev. A. Lancaster, Rev. J. C. Street, Rev. J. H. Bibby, Rev. T. H. M. Scott, Rev. S. C. Nelson, Rev. Walter Reynolds, Rev. J. A. Kelly, Rev. Thomas Dunkerley, Rev. David Thompson, Rev. G. W. Bannister, Rev. Henry A. Magowan, Rev. J. Cooper; Messrs. Wm. Barry, J.P.; Andrew Morrow, John Bishop, Wm. Calvert, James McQuold, Mountpottinger; James Mitchell, John Boyd, Hugh McMaster, A. H. Carr, Wm. Long, John Finlay, Blakely Orr, James Milling, H. Dickson, John McCann, Francis E. Osborne, Wm. Lees, Wm. Davidson, George Lowry, Moore Geddis, Wm. Morrow, Francis Bishop, Wm. Stewart, George Mitchell, David Peden, John McKee, James Lawther, John M. Finlay, David Hay, James Connolly, William Shaw, James Osborne, James McMaster, Wm. Anderson, James Adair, James Rea, John Davidson, John R. Finlay, Samuel Davidson, Hamilton Jellie, James Hay, Wm. McIlrath, Thomas Henry, Hamilton Watson, Cairney Hill; James Osborne, jun; J. Stewart, Wm. Anderson, Eddens Osborne, &c.

Rev. A. Lancaster asked a blessing, and after an excellent dinner, served by Mr. Alex. Morrow, Killyleagh,

The Chairman rose, amid loud cheers, and gave the toast of "The Queen, the Prince and Princess of Wales, and the other members of the Royal Family," which was received with loyal enthusiasm. He then proposed "The Lord Lieutenant and prosperity to Ireland." This sentiment, he was sure, would be warmly received by all present no matter what their shades of political opinion might be. Whatever differences might exist among them upon

other subjects, he was sure there could be but one opinion in regard to Lord Spencer: he had done the very best he could for Ireland in the most trying circumstances, and had attained a wonderful amount of success. (Applause.)

The toast having been duly honoured,

Rev. S. C. Nelson replied. He had the honour of presenting an address to Earl Spencer about fourteen years ago, when chairman of the Downpatrick Town Commissioners. Upon that occasion Lord Spencer observed that he regarded the address as a symptom of the internal peace and harmony that had been introduced into the North of Ireland, and he congratulated the people of Downpatrick upon the peaceable and harmonious relations which prevailed amongst all denominations. He (Mr. Nelson) was sorry to say that when his Excellency returned again to his post in Dublin he had a more arduous task to perform; for instead of finding the country in a comparatively peaceable state, as during his previous visit, he found himself obliged to use some coercive, and to some extent harsher, methods to restore peace and harmony to the country. All true citizens admired the impartial and dignified manner in which the Lord Lieutenant discharged his duties amidst great and apparently—for some time—insuperable difficulties. Whatever might be the result of the present deliberations of the Cabinet in London regarding the renewal of the powers vested in his hand, he (Mr. Nelson) felt that any proposals made by Earl Spencer should be accepted by the Government, because no man was better able to judge of what was required or what would be useful for Ireland. Earl Spencer had already been extremely successful in restoring the country to comparative peace from crime, and, no doubt, if he be vested with a degree of authority and power which would enable him with impartiality to exercise his important duties, the country would not only have a continuance of freedom from crime and outrage, but be restored to the state in which it was in the peaceful days of St. Patrick. (Applause.) It was particularly gratifying to him to find that meeting, presided over by Mr.

Ritchie—a representative of one of the most useful men in the imperial province of Ireland. (Applause.) The chairman was the grandson of a man whom the congregation of Killinchy had every reason to revere and esteem. Through his exertions the congregation was kept together at a very critical period, and by his subsequent munificence and that of the present Dr. Ritchie—(applause)—they were able to carry on an expensive litigation with which, unfortunately, they were harassed, and ultimately were enabled to erect the commodious edifice in which the earlier services of that day had been conducted. (Applause.) In regard to the settlement made that day, he hoped Mr. Lancaster would prove a worthy successor to Mr. M'Caw, and trusted he might long be spared to minister to the people of Killinchy. (Applause.)

The Chairman, in rising to propose the sentiment of the evening, was very warmly received. He said—I have to thank you for the honour you have done me in asking me to preside, and to apologise for my father's absence from your services to-day. Nothing would have given him greater pleasure than to have been able to comply with your request to occupy the position which I now fill, and to have renewed the ties of friendship which were begun many years ago; but unfortunately circumstances prevented him from coming. He, however, desired me to express to you the deep interest which he takes in you movements—(applause)—and the hope that the great loss which you have sustained by the death of your pastor and trusted adviser may be looked at in that light which will add fresh ardour to your labours to carry on the good work which he loved so well and for which he laboured through life. Many and various have been the changes through which your congregation has passed, and he who observes the signs of the times cannot but believe that the aims, and objects, and principles which the founders of your Church had in view have been to a large extent realised. (Hear, hear.) True, you cannot as a congregation boast of having made much progress in the way of inducing others to join in your particular form of worship—nor,

indeed, can the Unitarian Church say that they have done much more for some time back than hold their own in numbers—but, while this may be true, and is to be regretted, we can with truth state that mainly through our exertions the thoughts and ideas of the Churches around us have been wonderfully broadened, and the principles for which we have done battle are to-day much nearer a general acceptance. (Applause.) In fighting for the disestablishment of religious tests and barriers, in helping on the laws of education, in assisting to bring about a readjustment of the laws which govern the nation; in a word, in striving to elevate, stimulate, and encourage man to rise to a better and nobler life, our Church will be found to have taken a position which no one amongst us need feel ashamed of. (Hear, hear.) In the person of the late pastor of your church the people of all shades of belief in this neighbourhood had a true friend, and any object having for its aim the happiness of the people found in him a sturdy supporter and an able defender; and I feel assured that in choosing Mr. Lancaster to take up the good work, and carry it to a successful issue, you could not have made a happier selection. (Applause.) We should be busy, not so much in building up our own particular sect, and in breaking down other systems, as in widening the boundaries of sympathy of man for man, and creating that spirit of toleration and co-operation from which so much good flows. The Church should ever strive to bring about that time when all sects shall believe, and act upon the belief, that in actions and lives, rather than in creeds and ceremonies, is to be found the religion best suited to the wellbeing and up-building of mankind. (Applause.) Feeling convinced that Mr. Lancaster will ever keep this noble aim in view, I have great pleasure in proposing his health.

The sentiment was greeted with much enthusiasm.

Rev. A. Lancaster thanked the assemblage heartily for the way in which they had received the sentiment of his health. It had never been his good fortune before to be made the centre of such rejoicings and demonstra-

tions as he had that day witnessed. He regarded them as very propitious signs of what would be in store for him in the future. He felt sure that they were only the beginning of a great many demonstrations, perhaps not of a public, but of a private character, that he would meet with amongst the members of the congregation with whom he had that day been joined. He knew from report that their character was one that would bear investigation. He knew that they were esteemed a very zealous, a very sacrificing, and a very hard-working people, and, both upon personal and hereditary grounds, it was to him a pleasure to be aware of this. (Hear, hear.) He felt that he was coming amongst a communion of people with whom he could work very comfortably indeed. Somehow or other it seemed as if he could not get out of the way of the Killinchy people ever since he first came in contact with them. His friend Mr. Dunkerley had first brought him there, and now he found himself wedded to it in bonds which he felt could never be legally dissolved. (Applause.) He was very glad to find a great deal of respect and reverence existing amongst the people for the memory of their late lamented pastor. It would be his constant endeavour to follow in the footsteps of that good man, and indeed of all good men, thus bringing his life into accord with those grand and true and golden principles which have been laid down by Jesus, which are still carried forth by every true and noble-minded man, and which exist in our midst to-day. He trusted they might all work harmoniously together, and assist each other in the grand and noble work in which they were engaged. Again he had to thank them very much for the kind manner in which they had received him. (Applause.)

Mr. H. Watson (Secretary), on behalf of the congregation, extended a hearty welcome to the new minister. The congregation had in its time come through many difficulties, and had surmounted them all. He hoped it had now peaceful times in store, and that they would get along in a most harmonious manner.

Rev. J. C. Street responded for "Civil and Religious Liberty all the World over." He

was glad to do so under the presidency of one who bore an honoured name, and who was taking his part in the promotion of civil and religious liberty, and inaugurating an active life in connection therewith. Mr. Ritchie, he was sure, would bear this flag when many of them had passed away. There had been intolerable burdens that men had to bear in days gone by. A new and brighter day had dawned when leading statesmen were freeing the land of its burdens, and were making tyrants let go their hold and leave the peasantry free to cultivate their land and be protected in their own interests. (Hear, hear.) If they had done so much in the past it was because good men and true had been in favour of this civil liberty. They had not wanted more than their rights, but they had been resolved to have them. (Hear, hear.) They would pardon him, he was sure, if he said that under the Right Hon. William Ewart Gladstone—(loud applause)—they had so splendid a leader that they had achieved some of the most wonderful results that have ever been gained, and they were dreaming of the day when the cultivator of the soil would be, by honest means, the possessor of the soil, when he would be labouring upon that which is his, and be turning to the best account every rood of land, and making it yield such treasures as it had never yielded in the past. (Applause.) They had always been consistent friends of the fullest religious liberty, and he looked forward to the time when every rag of intolerance and assumption would be swept away, and the conscience of man be recognized, in connection with reason, as the first and only authority in matters of religion.

Rev. J. A. Kelly, in replying for "The Officiating Ministers," expressed the great pleasure which it afforded him to take part in the proceedings of that forenoon.

Rev. G. W. Bannister responded on behalf of "The Visiting Ministers," and delivered a most appropriate address.

Mr. Carr moved that the best thanks of the meeting be given to Mr. Ritchie, who, like his respected father and grandfather, was showing a deep interest in the congregation of Killinchy.

Rev. Mr. Reynolds seconded the resolution.

Rev. Mr. Scott supported the resolution, and expressed his gratification in being able to take part in the proceedings of that interesting occasion.

The motion having been passed by acclamation,

Mr. Ritchie said he would at all times be glad to promote in any way possible the welfare of the Killinchy congregation.

The proceedings then concluded.

In the evening, nearly a thousand people met to continue the welcome to Mr. Lancaster. The Meeting-house was crowded to its utmost capacity. After tea, W. Barry, Esq., J.P., presided, and addresses were delivered by Mr. Watson, Rev. T. Dunkerley, Rev. J. C. Street, Rev. A. Lancaster, Rev. D. Thompson, and others, after which there was a good selection of music and readings, all of which were greatly enjoyed by the large audience. All the proceedings of the day were of a most encouraging character.

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